Murder of Staff Nurse of Safdarjung Hospital

4239. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Member of Parliament submitted a letter to the Competent Authority on 14th March, 2003 regarding the alleged/suspected murder of a staff nurse of Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi;

(b) whether First Information Report (FIR) is registered on the above alleged/suspected murder;

(c) if so, the details including the date of registration and the number of FIR;

(d) whether any one has been questioned in this case;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the detailed action initiated based on the facts stated in the above mentioned letter on the Member of Parliament?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. However, the Sub-Divisional Magistrate of the area, who was informed about the incident, took up the inquest proceedings under section 176 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.

(d) to (f) Yes, Sir. Delhi Police have questioned five persons in connection with this case. The husband of the deceased against whom the Hon'ble Member of Parliament had in his letter dated the 14th March, 2003 complained could not be questioned as he himself was reported to have committed suicide.

Crimes in the country

4240. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of robbery, kidnapping, murder, dacoity, looting etc., in the different parts of the country during the last one year and till date;

(b) the specific reasons for the occurrence of the said crimes; and

(c) the details of action taken by Government against the criminals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I. D. SWAMI): (a) According to the information furnished by the National Crime Records Bureau, the details of State and UT-wise incidence of IPC crimes under various heads during the year 2002 are given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix 198, Annexure No. 19].

(b) The reasons for the occurrence of the said crimes include unchecked migration, illegal settlement, diverse socio-religio-cultural disparities, uneven distribution of income and the perception among organized groups, gangsters, professional criminals, youth and juvenile that crime affords a short-cut to a lavish lifestyle.

(c) 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India. The detection, registration, investigation and prevention of crimes are primarily the responsibilities of the State Governments. However, the Ministry of Home Affairs have issued guidelines to the State Governments from time to time to give more focused attention to improving the administration of the criminal justice system.

Modernisation of Delhi Police

4241. DR. ABBAR AHMED:
SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the manpower and modernisation requirements of Delhi Police, as recommended by Bureau of Police Research and Development have been fully met; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) and (b) The Government have identified the following areas which need to be strengthened on priority in the first phase of implementation of the recommendations made by the Bureau of Police Research & Development:

(a) Upgradation of training facilities;

(b) Computerization at Police Station Level;

(c) Modernization of Delhi Traffic Police;

(d) Upgradation of communication network;